

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-17 – (canceled)

18. (currently amended) A print progress notifying device comprising:

~~counting means for counting a printed raster number;~~

detecting means for detecting a total raster number of print data of a print job;

a timer that measures ~~a required time duration from when print operations for the print data are started to when the counting means counts the printed raster number~~ an elapsed time during print operations of said print job;

counting means for counting a printed raster number during said elapsed time; and

predicting means for predicting at least one of a remaining time duration required for completing the print operations and a completion time at which the print operations for the print data are completed, based on ~~the printed raster number, the total raster number, and the required time duration~~ multiplying said elapsed time by said total raster number and dividing by said printed raster number.

19. (previously presented) The print progress notifying device according to claim 18, further comprising a printer for performing the print operations and a computer that is connected to the printed, wherein the counting means is provided to the printer, and the timer and the predicting means are provided to the computer.